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TAGS: OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRY A.)

SUBJECT: MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT NYERERE

FOR AMBASSADOR FROM SECRETARY

1. PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT NYERERE: BEGIN TEXT: DEAR MR. PRESIDENT: I WOULD LIKE TO ADD A WORD OR TWO TO MY EARLIER MESSAGE OF TODAY WITH RESPECT TO THE IMPORTANT MEETING YOU AND THE OTHER AFRICAN LEADERS ARE CONVOKING IN DAR, AND ITS RELATIONSHIP TO OUR HOPES FOR PEACEFUL RESOLUTION OF THE NAMIBIA AND RHODESIAN QUESTIONS.

2. IN ORDER TO AVOID THE IMPRESSION THAT WE HAD RUN INTO SUBSTANTIVE DIFFICULTIES, I HAVE EXPLAINED TO THE PRESS REPRESENTATIVES WHO ARE TRAVELLING WITH ME ON THIS TRIP THAT IT IS UNLIKELY THAT I WILL GO TO AFRICA IMMEDIATELY AFTER ZURICH, BUT RATHER WOULD TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE OPPORTUNITY PRESENTED BY THE MEETING IN DAR TO SEND AMBASSADOR SCHAUFELE TO CONSULT WITH YOU EARLY NEXT WEEK. A COPY OF THE TEXT OF THE STATEMENT TO THE PRESS FOLLOWS: QUOTE: WE HAVE BEEN INFORMED BY PRESIDENT NYERERE THAT THE PRESIDENTS OF THE COUNTRIES MOST DIRECTLY CONCERNED, AS WELL AS THE LEADERS OF VARIOUS AFRICAN MOVEMENTS, WILL BE CONSULTING ON SOUTHERN AFRICAN ISSUES IN DAR-ES-SALAAM

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BEGINNING ON SEPTEMBER 5.

3. SINCE IT WOULD BE USEFUL FOR THESE PRESIDENTS TO KNOW THE RESULTS OF THE SECRETARY'S TALKS WITH PRIME MINISTER VORSTER, AND FOR THE SECRETARY TO KNOW THE RESULTS OF THE CONSULTATIONS IN DAR-ES-SALAAM, WE HAVE PROPOSED TO THE AFRICAN PRESIDENTS THAT AMBASSADOR SCHAUFLE TRAVEL TO DAR-ES-SALAAM AND LUSAKA BEGINNING ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 TO CONSULT WITH PRESIDENTS NYERERE AND KAUNDA AND OTHERS. DEPENDING ON THIS EXCHANGE OF VIEWS AND THE MEETING WITH PRIME MINISTER VORSTER, THE SECRETARY WOULD THEN DECIDE WHETHER TO UNDERTAKE ANOTHER ROUND OF NEGOTIATIONS. UNQUOTE.

4. I HAVE MADE CLEAR TO THE PRESS THAT I REGARD YOUR INITIATIVE IN CONVENING THE MEETING AS POSITIVE AND HELPFUL TO OUR EFFORTS TO BRING ABOUT PEACEFUL SOLUTIONS IN NAMIBIA AND RHODESIA.

5. IT IS MY HOPE THAT THE MEETING WILL CONFIRM THAT THERE IS THE POSSIBILITY OF PROGRESS. AS I AM SURE YOU REALIZE, IF THE MATTER IS PUSHED BEYOND CERTAIN LIMITS, THIS MUST MEAN THAT THE PRESENT EFFORT CANNOT SUCCEED. ON THE OTHER HAND, IF THE RESULTS OF THE IMPORTANT MEETING YOU HAVE CONVOKED IN DAR ARE POSITIVE AND INDICATE A POSSIBILITY OF SUCCESS WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE PROGRESS LAID OUT TO YOU BY SECRETARIES ROGERS AND SCHAUFLE, I AM PREPARED, AS YOU KNOW, TO LEND MY FULLEST EFFORTS IN THE SEARCH FOR DECISIVE SOLUTIONS IN RHODESIA OR THE NAMIBIA, OR BOTH, IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE. WARM REGARDS, HENRY A. KISSINGER. END TEXT.

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